# Class Title: Firefighter EMT

### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE CLASSIFICATION:**

Performs fire suppression duties and medical pre-hospital procedures. Maintains facilities and equipment for maximum efficiency. Performs public service and ensures safety through inspections and information.

#### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:**

This information is intended to be descriptive of the key responsibilities of the classification. The following examples do not identify all duties performed by any single incumbent. Specific requirements of individual positions are described in the Job Description.

	Physical Strength Code	ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS
1	VH	Responds to emergency medical calls by evaluating situations, providing emergency and non-emergency medical procedures both stationary and in a moving vehicle, and transferring patients to medical facilities.
2	VH	Performs fire suppressions duties by responding to emergency fire calls, operating various equipment and gear for fire suppression and control, driving fire apparatus, searching for and rescuing occupants, ventilating structure, salvaging contents, applying water and other chemicals to fires.
3	M	Performs maintenance of facilities and equipment by cleaning, inspecting, repairing and any other maintenance deemed necessary.
4	M	Performs other duties by participating in training and drills, performing code violation building inspections, inspecting hydrants, providing information to public, installing smoke detectors, conducting station tours, visiting schools, processing paperwork, and maintaining personnel records.
5	Н	Processes hazardous materials by testing for identification and performing removal procedures, inspecting target hazard areas.

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### **CLASS REQUIREMENTS:**

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Formal Education / Knowledge	Work requires knowledge of a specific vocational, administrative, or technical nature which may be obtained with six months/one year of advanced study or training past the high school equivalency. Junior college, vocational, business, technical or correspondence schools are likely sources. Appropriate certification may be awarded upon satisfactory completion of advanced study or training.
Experience	Completion of the Tidewater Regional Fire Academy (or other approved Fire Academy training program) and the Firefighter Recruit probationary period with the Department of Fire Rescue or two (2) years experience as a Firefighter EMT in a fire department or two (2) years experience as an EMT in an EMS agency.
Certifications and Other Requirements	Valid Driver's License; current Virginia Department of Fire Programs Certifications in Firefighter II, Hazmat Awareness and Operations, Emergency Vehicle Operations and/or other "Firefighter Professional Qualifications" as required by the Virginia Administrative Code; current Virginia Department of Health certification as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT); American Heart Association certification in Basic Cardiac Life Support for Health Care Providers.
Reading	Work requires the ability to read reports, orders, instructions and fire manuals.
Math	Work requires the ability to perform general math calculations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
Writing	Work requires the ability to write reports, letters and fill out forms.
Managerial	N/A
Budget Responsibility	N/A
Supervisory / Organizational Control	Work requires functioning as a lead worker performing essentially the same work as those directed, and includes overseeing work quality, training, instructing, and scheduling work.
Complexity	Work involves choices of action within limits set by standard practices and procedures. Professional judgment is required to apply the proper course of action.
Interpersonal / Human Relations Skills	Contacts others within the organization. These contacts may involve similar work units or departments within the City which may be involved in decision making or providing approval or decision making authority for purchases or projects. Works with individuals outside the City who may belong to professional or peer organizations. Working with various state and federal agencies may also be required.

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### OVERALL PHYSICAL STRENGTH DEMANDS:

Sedentary	Light	Medium	Heavy	Very Heavy X
S = Sedentary Exerting up to 10 lbs. occasionally or negligible weights frequently; sitting most of the time	L = Light Exerting up to 20 lbs. occasionally, 10 lbs. frequently, or negligible amounts constantly OR requires walking or standing to a significant degree.	M = Medium Exerting 20-50 lbs. occasionally, 10-25 lbs. frequently, or up to 10 lbs. constantly.	H = Heavy Exerting 50-100 lbs. occasionally, 25-50 lbs. frequently, or up to 10-20 lbs. constantly.	VH = Very Heavy Exerting over 100 lbs. occasionally, 50-100 lbs. frequently, or up to 20-50 lbs. constantly.

### **PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**

C = Continuously	F = Frequently	O = Occasionally	R = Rarely	N = Never
2/3 or more of the time.	From 1/3 to 2/3 of the time.	Up to 1/3 of the time.	Less than 1 hour per week.	Never occurs.

This is a description of the way the job is currently performed; it does not address the potential for accommodation.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS	FREQUENCY CODE	DESCRIPTION
Standing	F	Ladders, rooftops, truck platforms
Sitting	F	Computer, desk work, driving, training
Walking	F	Station and vehicle maintenance, rooftops, fire duties
Lifting	F	Medical equipment and supplies, fire equipment and supplies, patients, stretchers, debris
Carrying	F	Medical equipment and supplies, fire equipment and supplies, patients, stretchers, debris
Pushing/Pulling	F	Medical equipment and supplies, fire equipment and supplies
Reaching	F	Medical equipment and supplies, fire equipment and supplies
Handling	F	Medical equipment and supplies, fire equipment and supplies
Fine Dexterity	F	Computer keyboard, writing, checking equipment, patient care
Kneeling	F	Firefighting, patient care, maintenance and cleaning
Crouching	F	Firefighting, patient care, maintenance and cleaning
Crawling	F	Firefighting, patient care, maintenance and cleaning
Bending	F	Firefighting, patient care, maintenance and cleaning
Twisting	F	Firefighting, patient care, maintenance and cleaning
Climbing	F	Ladders, steps, rooftops, truck platforms
Balancing	F	Ladders, steps, rooftops, truck platforms
Vision	С	Desk work, observations at fire scenes, driving
Hearing	С	Firefighters, police, dispatch, doctors/nurses, general public
Talking	С	Firefighters, police, dispatch, doctors/nurses, general public
Foot Controls	F	Driving, depressing siren switch
Other (specify)	N	

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#### MACHINES, TOOLS, EQUIPMENT, AND WORK AIDS:

Ground ladders, portapower units, bolt cutters, water cut off tools, sledge hammers, lug wrenches, hand truck with junction box, battering ram, stokes baskets, navigation compass, water rescue boat, life throw rings, stethoscopes, glucometer, backboards, neck collars, automatic defibrillators, aerial ladders, knives, chain saws, hand saws, pinch bars, fire extinguishers, portable lights, depth finder, life vests, jet skis, sphygmomanometer, pulse oxsimetry, CIDs, electrocardiogram, angiocatheters, fire hoses, nozzles, axes, ceiling hooks, pry bars, power saws, ladders, heavy fans, shovels, ropes, hydraulic extrication equipment, fire engine, ladder trucks, radios, generators, Standard Microsoft Windows and Office software, laser or inkjet printer, Virginia Fire Incident Reporting System, Firehouse software

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS:**

D = Daily	W = Several	M = Several	S = Seasonally	N = Never
	Times Per Week	Times Per Month		

HEALTH AND SAFETY		ENVIRONMENTAL FACTO	RS
Mechanical Hazards	W	Dirt and Dust	D
Chemical Hazards	W	Extreme Temperatures	D
Electrical Hazards	W	Noise and Vibration	D
Fire Hazards	D	Fumes and Odors	D
Explosives	M	Wetness/Humidity	D
Communicable Diseases	D	Darkness or Poor Lighting	D
Physical Danger or Abuse	D		
Other (see 1 below)	N	]	

PRIMARY WORK LOCATION				
Office Environment				
Warehouse				
Shop				
Vehicle				
Outdoors	X			
Other (see 2 below)	X			

#### PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:

Turn out gear, self-contained breathing apparatus, gloves, SCBA, helmet, safety glasses, safety shoes, haz mat suit

#### **NON-PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**

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NON-PHYSICAL DEMANDS	
Time Pressures	F
Emergency Situations	F
Frequent Change of Tasks	F
Irregular Work Schedule/Overtime	F
Performing Multiple Tasks Simultaneously	F
Working Closely with Others as Part of a Team	F
Tedious or Exacting Work	F
Noisy/Distracting Environment	F
Other (see 3 below)	N

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<sup>(1)</sup> 

<sup>(2)</sup> Fire Scenes